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1. SUMMARY; ISRAELI SETTLEMENT ACTIVITY ON THE WEST BANK CONTINUES APACE: AN UNANNOUNCED SITE ALONG THE ALLON ROAD, TWO SITES SET IN THE LATRUN SALIENT, FACTORIES FOR MA'ALE ADUMIM AND A NEW SCHOOL FOR GUSH ETZION. GUSH EMUNIM ANNOUNCES A MARCH ON THE WEST BANK FOR APRIL 5. END SUMMARY

2. DURING A RECENT FIELD TRIP CONGEN OFFICER AND DEPOFF KULICK NOTED NEW ISRAELI PRESENCE JUST OFF THE ALLON ROAD ABOUT 1 KM. NORTH OF ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE RAMALLAH-JERICHO ROAD (APPROXIMATELY 35 18 E, 31 57 N). SING IDENTIFIES SITE AS RIMONI. APPROXIMATELY 15 TENTS IN PLACE ARE PROBABLY PRECURSOR OF PERMANENT NAHAL.  
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3. AT MEVO SHILOH, ABOUT 10 KM. FURTHER NORTH, WORK IS PROGRESSING ON AN INDUSTRIAL AREA LOCATED ABOUT 200 METERS SOUTH OF THE NAHAL. FIVE LARGE, PRE-FABRICATED BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN SET UP, AND A PARKING LOT PREPARED.

4. THE ALLON ROAD ITSELF HAS NOW BEEN NAMED THE ROAD OF

PURSUIT (DEREK HAMIRDAFIM) NO DOUBT IN HONOR OF THE IDF'S ANTI-FEDAYIN CAMPAIGN THERE FOLLOWING THE SIX-DAY WAR. TWO BRANCH ROADS HAVE BEEN CUT TO CONNECT THE MAIN ROAD WITH ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS IN THE JORDAN VALLEY AT GILGAL AND PATZAEAL.

5. KOL ISRAEL HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE TWO PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS FOR THE LATURN SALIENT, HORON BET AND HORON GIMEL (REF A), WILL BOTH BE SITED IN THE "NO-MAN'S LAND." (COMMENT: BOTH THESE SETTLEMENTS WERE APPROVED BY THE GOI INTER-MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE ON JUNE 8, 1976, HOWEVER, EXACT SITES WERE NOT AT THAT TIME DETERMINED.)

6. IN THE INDUSTRIAL ZONE OF MA'ALE ADUMIM ON THE JERUSALEM-JERICHO ROAD, FOUR FACTORIES HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND THREE OTHERS ARE UNDERWAY. ACCORDING TO A JERUSALEM POST REPORT OF MARCH 22, DEFMIN PERES MET WITH THE MANAGERS MARCH 21 WHO INFORMED HIM THAT PRODUCTION (THE FIRST AT THE SITE) WOULD BEGIN SOON. ISRAEL RADIO REPORTS THAT A "MUNICIPAL CENTER" WILL BE SET UP.

7. ISRAELI SETTLERS AT ALLON SHEVUT IN THE ETZION BLOC DEDICATED A RELIGIOUS SCHOOL THERE ON MARCH 21. ACCORDING TO THE ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE JERUSALEM POST, THE SCHOOL HAS BEEN NAMED FOR THE KEHILATH ISRAEL CONGREGATION OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, ISRAELI PRESIDENT KATZIR REPORTEDLY ATTENDED THE DEDICATION.

8. THE GUSH EMUNIM HAS ANNOUNCED ITS INTENTION TO HOLD ITS ANNUAL PASSOVER MARCH IN THE NORTHER WEST BANK (SAMARIA) LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON APRIL 5. NO ROUTE HAS YET BEEN DESIGNATED, HOWEVER, THE EVENT IS PLANNED TO LAST ONE DAY.

9. COMMENT: LAST YEAR'S GUSH EMUNIM MARCH (REFS B AND C) UNLIKE PREVIOUS ONES, DID NOT LEAD TO ANY IMMEDIATE UNAUTHORIZED SETTLEMENT ATTEMPTS. IT DID, HOWEVER, PROVOKE DEMONSTRATIONS THROUGHOUT THE NORTHERN WEST BANK IN THE COURSE OF WHICH ONE ARAB WAS SHOT AND KILLED AND 12 WOUNDED. ONE LIKELY TERMINUS OF THE APRIL 5 MARCH IS MESHAH NEAR QALQILYA WHERE GUSH EMUNIM ADHERENTS MADE AN UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO SETTLE ON FEB. 27.  
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